

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. An apparatus for illuminating a portable electronic device having a utility power jack in electrical connection with a power source, comprising:
- a plug for plugging the apparatus into the utility power jack;
- a body connected to the plug; and
- an illumination device attached to the body and electrically connected to the utility power jack through the plug and the body;
- wherein the illumination device is powered by the power source when the apparatus is plugged into the utility power jack.
2. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the illumination device is comprised of a light emitting diode.
3. An apparatus as recited in claim 2, wherein the portable electronic device is an electronic game device.
4. An apparatus as recited in claim 2, wherein the portable electronic device has a display screen that is not illuminated by the portable electronic device.
5. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the plug has a second utility power jack adapted to receive a second plug that is in electrical communication with the utility power jack when the second plug is plugged into the plug and the plug is plugged into the utility power jack.
6. An apparatus as recited in claim 2, wherein the plug has a second utility power jack adapted to receive a second plug that is in electrical communication with the utility power jack when the second plug is plugged into the plug and the plug is plugged into the utility power jack.

7. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body is comprised of a flexible arm.

8. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body can be adjusted, when the apparatus is plugged into the utility power jack, to adjust the height of the illumination device relative to the portable electronic device.

9. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body can be adjusted, when the apparatus is plugged into the utility power jack, to adjust the angle of the illumination device relative to the portable electronic device.

10. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body further comprises a diffuser for diffusing light given off by the illumination device.

11. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body further comprises a magnifier.

12. An apparatus as recited in claim 1, wherein the body further comprises a regulator for varying the intensity of light given off by the illumination device.

13. An apparatus as recited in claim 2, wherein the light emitting diode is a white light diode.

14. An apparatus for illuminating a portable computing device with a display screen, the apparatus also having a utility port in electrical connection with a power source, comprising:

- a plug for plugging the apparatus into the utility port;
- a body connected to the plug; and
- a light emitting diode ("LED") attached to the body and electrically connected to the utility port through the plug and the body;

wherein the LED is powered by the power source when the apparatus is plugged into the utility port.

15. An apparatus as recited in claim 14, wherein the LED is a white light diode.

5 16. An apparatus as recited in claim 15, wherein the portable computing device is an electronic game device.

17. An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the plug has a second utility port adapted to receive a second plug that is in electrical communication with the utility port when the second plug is plugged into the plug and the plug is plugged into the utility port.

18. An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the body is comprised of a flexible arm.

19. An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the body can be adjusted, when the apparatus is plugged into the utility port, to adjust the height of the LED relative to the portable computing device.

20. An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the body can be adjusted, when the apparatus is plugged into the utility port, to adjust the angle of the LED relative to the portable computing device.

20 21. An apparatus as recited in claim 16, wherein the body further comprises a diffuser for diffusing light given off by the LED.

22. An apparatus as recited in claim 21, wherein the body further comprises a magnifier.

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